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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oswal Paper Mill Limited Hoshiarpur, Punjab has not been depositing provident fund both of employees and employers in EPF office since 1999;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount which had to be deposited (share of both employees and employer) with EPF Authority during the last three years and thereafter;

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken against the company;

(e) the steps taken to pay the legitimate dues to the employees of the said company in time;

(f) whether the Government proposes to make EPF laws more stringent against the employer in order to save hard-earned money of employees and to curb such economic offences; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO)

(a) to (c): The establishment is in default from March 2002 and in arrears of Rs.59.81 lakhs.

(d) & (e): FIR under Indian Penal Code 406/409 has been filed for criminal breach of trust for not depositing employees` share deducted from the wages of the employees.

(f) & (g): Action is taken against the defaulting employers under the relevant provisions of the Employees` Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952; and under IPC 406/409.